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Russian Exchange Postponed At Recent NFCUS Conference

The question of a student exchange with Russia has been left undecided for at least another year. The question was shelved by the annual conference of the National Federation of Canadian University students held Oct. 12-16 at McGill university.

A student quorum held at the University of Alberta last term approved the exchange plan in principle and instructed Alberta delegates to convey this feeling to the national meeting.

Russia has informally invited NFCUS again to exchange students this year.

The conference decided not to take out the proposed associate membership in the International Union of Students, described by an American delegate to the conference as "Communist dominated." It was thought by some delegates that NFCUS would gain no more by the proposed associate membership than it had in the past as an observer. However, a motion was passed empowering the NFCUS executive to investigate the possibility of a qualified relationship with IUS.

Chairman Bob Sutherland declared that he did not believe there must be "two worlds." "They (Russians) are human beings and we must try to reach them," he said. "It will be difficult and the division is great, but this only makes more important the necessity of getting together."

The conference's decision regarding the raising of the NFCUS student levy is not yet known. The feeling has been prevalent that if the national levy is not raised from 20 cents to one dollar per student, NFCUS will not be able to function.

Korean Doctor Addresses Camp

The Student Christian Movement of the university held its fall camp on the long weekend of October 10, 11 and 12 at Elk Island Lodge. The camp featured panel discussions and addresses by Dr. Lee, a Korean doctor, Dr. Johnston of St. Stephen's college, and Rev. E. Nix of Lamont, Alberta.

Dr. Lee said that the Korean people had thought of America as ideally Christian but had been disappointed by contact with American soldiers. Dr. Johnston discussed "Hope in the Bible" with reference to the Israelite slaves in Egypt who became the "chosen race." Mr. Nix aroused student discussion by considering the Christian's personal hope of life after natural death.

The panel discussions dealt with scientific humanism, national socialism, and communism.

Prominent in the theme of his talk was Dr. Johnston's view that hope lies in God's purpose. The Israelites as slaves had no hope within themselves, he said.

Mr. Nix's contention that belief in life in the hereafter constitutes a concrete part of the Christian's personal life, aroused divergent views of the students in regard to ideal Christian attitudes.

While the talks and discussions comprised the main part of the camp program, recreation was not neglected. Numerous games were played, and there were sing songs and a six-mile hike.

RAPID DROP IN YEARBOOK PRICE

Ted Walker, 11055-87 Avenue, is of the opinion that a copy of the Evergreen and Gold for the 1952-53 year is worth only \$2.95 and is willing to sell his at this price.

For this reason, the financial question was an important issue at the conference.

Canadian student relations with the Spanish University syndicate were discussed at the conference. A motion proposed by a Toronto delegate authorized the NFCUS executive to establish a relationship with the Spanish students, with a view to exchanging information. The motion emphasized that "any such relationship is not to imply support of the syndicate's organizational structure or its policy."

Bill Hoyt, NFCUS observer in Spain last summer, claimed that any interchange would have to be "on a purely practical level because of vast political differences between the Canadian and Spanish student organizations."

Byron To Address Humanities Meet

"Greece—Home of the Humanities" will be the subject of Mr. Robert E. B. Byron's talk to the Humanities Association of Alberta. Mr. Byron is a graduate of the University of Alberta. The talk, to be illustrated by lantern slides, will be given in the projection room of the Rutherford Library, Thursday, Oct. 22 at 8:15 p.m.

The single admission price is twenty-five cents not fifty cents as stated in The Gateway, Oct. 15. The season's subscription is fifty cents.

This is the first of five meetings of the association. The next is in December. Various speakers have been asked to give papers at each meeting.

The Humanities Association welcomes the general public, especially students.

Drama Lectures Begin Wednesday

Light and sound as related to the stage will be the subject of the first of a series of lectures to be given at the Studio theatre commencing Oct. 21 at 8 p.m.

The Drama club is working in co-operation with the Studio theatre, which won the Calvert trophy last spring and then represented Alberta in the Canadian drama festival.

The Studio theatre will present a comedy this fall with light and sound handled by the Drama club. Those coming to the above lectures will have an opportunity to take part in this production.

Experience gained through these lectures on light, sound, production and makeup is applicable in the production of all plays and skits such as those used by clubs. The lectures will be held once a month throughout the university term.

Persons wishing to take part in plays staged by the Drama club may be auditioned by Eleanor Myers, phone 35521.



DAVE THOMAS

Thomas Wins Cross Country; St. Steve's Cops Team Trophy

Dave Thomas, third year Education, led a field of over 200 to cop top honors in the Cross country race held last Saturday afternoon. The large field was closely bunched as it disappeared from the view of the 200 spectators on the Varsity grid. 18 minutes and 10 seconds later, Thomas, unattended, jogged around the corner of SUB and across the finish line.

Carlson, Puffer Head Engineers

Don Carlson, fourth-year civil engineering, was elected president of the Engineering Student society in the by-elections held last Friday and Saturday. Elected of the vice-presidency was Karl Puffer, third-year civil engineering. Officials stated that the voting, which was open only to engineers, was "fairly heavy."

At the first ESS meeting of the season, held last Thursday, Dr. J. A. Harle, honorary president of the group, spoke on the many aspects of engineering, the ESS, and campus life. He stressed the need for engineers to take a more active part in campus activities and to feel free to air their views in The Gateway.

Candidates for the two positions on the executive spoke briefly, presenting their platforms. The other candidates for the presidency were Gail Duffy and John Fisher.

Two movies were shown before cokes and doughnuts were served.

Engineers Sponsor Red Sweater Sale

The Engineering Student society is promoting colorful V-neck sweaters. The sweaters are red with a large white chenille "E" mounted on the front. Cloverdale Knitting Mills are making up the sweaters and estimate delivery to be by Dec. 15.

The committee reports that sales are going extremely well and that orders will be taken until Oct. 23.

Choristers Mixer Held Recently

The first mixed chorus party took place in Wauneita lounge Wednesday. The purpose of this party was to acquaint members of the chorus with one another.

In attendance were President and Mrs. Stewart, A. A. Ryan, provost; A. G. Markle, honorary president, and wife, Betty Tomlinson from station CBX, Mrs. Eaton, the director's wife, and the bus drivers from the spring tour, Herb Erikson and Doug Ringrose.

Entertainment included movies and slides shown by Bruce Hatfield, followed by games, skits and refreshments.

Davy Notes International Progress, Aim, Of Socialism

"Despite short-term setbacks, there is a historic trend towards socialism in most countries of the world," said Mr. G. R. Davy, assistant professor of political science. Davy was speaking to some 30 persons present at the opening meeting of the campus CCF club on Wednesday afternoon. "Socialism Today" was the topic of the meeting.

Mr. Davy spoke of the philosophy and the aims of socialism, defining socialism as that economic, political and moral system in which the interest of all is the primary concern of the state, as opposed to capitalism, in which the economic welfare of a minority is the prime consideration.

He noted the different forms of socialism but limited his discussion to democratic socialism as represented in Canada by the CCF party.

Davy told of the stage of development of socialism in Britain, France, West Germany and the Scandinavian countries.

A business meeting presided over by Robert Wright, president, was held prior to the address by Mr. Davy. Officers were elected and there was a discussion of future activities of the club.

The next meeting of the CCF club will be on October 29. The topic will be the future policy for CCF.

Magazine Editor To Speak Friday

Miss Catherine Perkins, B.Sc., R.N., assistant editor of "The Canadian Nurse," will speak to the Edmonton district No. 7 of the Alberta Association of Registered Nurses in the Wellaby clinic, 102 avenue and 99 street, at 8:15 p.m. on Friday.

Miss Perkins, who is here from Montreal, will speak on "The Art of Magazine Writing."

Council Notes

Monday:
World University Service meeting in Room 309 Students Union Building, at 4:30.

Thursday:
Humanities Association meeting in the organization room of the Rutherford Library, at 8:15.

Saturday:
Wauneita "Caribbean Cruise"—Formal—University Gymnasium, at 8:30.

Gymnastics Club To Begin Program

A Gym club meeting will be held Friday at 4:30 in the northwest lecture room of the varsity gymnasium. All interested in tumbling, vaulting, balancing, adagio, apparatus and cheer-leading should attend.

Some of the future possibilities include the formation of a gymnastics team for the 1954 provincial gymnastic championships to be held in Edmonton next spring and for the Dominion championships in Vancouver, with the British Empire Games following shortly afterwards.

A talk will be given by the 1953 provincial horizontal bar and rings champion, Dr. M. L. Van Vliet, head of the physical education department, may also talk to the group. A film on advanced gymnastics will be shown some time during the year.

DISCRIMINATION CITED IN SOUTH AFRICA

SOUTH AFRICA, (ACP)—The National Union of South African students has renewed protests against discrimination at Witwatersrand University. The Union says the university—which has been attacked before for discrimination—put colored students at a disadvantage when grading a recent examination.

Since Witwatersrand still officially welcomes members of all races, the Union says equal rights must be maintained.

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"... Nor Any Drop To Drink"

About two years ago a note was left in the suggestion box on the ground floor of the Students Union building. The scrawled suggestion contained the words "Water . . . water . . ." This poignant message, written in the unsteady hand of a thirsty ping pong player, was one of the early indications that a fountain was needed in the building.

The movement for water in the Students Union building lay dormant for sometime following this initiation, but was reborn in a recent meeting of Students Council. Council was discussing the possible installation of a machine to dispense soft drinks in the building to supplement snack bar service. During the discussion, the alternative of installing a water fountain was mentioned and a committee was appointed to investigate the matter.

A recent survey conducted on a small scale by The Gateway indicated that most students would like to see a fountain in the building.

We laud Council's zeal in considering the question of a fountain. Let us not, however, consider cool, clear water only as an **alternative** to the weak, overpriced fluid which a soft drink machine will dispense. Let us first install the water fountain which is needed, and then consider the question of a 'pop machine.'—D.C.

Time again to pick up your proofs from the photographic studio and enjoy the annual chuckle.

Seems like yesterday that the new Agricultural building was just a plan; have you noticed it lately?

Old Enough?

(By Jim Wilkerson of the Daily Tar Heel, University of North Carolina)

From time to time the question of lowering the voting age to 18 comes up for discussion . . . So far only one of the 48 states—Georgia—has taken this step, which places several thousand new voters on the books.

. . . The idea has wide superficial appeal. The most popular argument in its favor is that anyone old enough to fight for his country is old enough to vote—a high sounding, though not necessarily logical deduction.

If we were forced by a manpower shortage to start drafting 16 and 17-year-olds, as some countries did in World War II, would that argument still hold true?

. . . What about the girls? They aren't drafted at 18. Shall we tell them to come back in three years or just throw them in as a bonus?

. . . The eligibility to vote boils itself down to the question of whether or not a person is able to exercise this right in a wise and intelligent manner. The average 18-year-old is still in high school, usually his last year. He is about to graduate from America's greatest training ground in democracy—the public school.

. . . Many of these youngsters are serious-minded and mature beyond their years, but the majority, as we all know, are rather carefree and limit their profound thoughts and observations for the class room.

. . . Since their teachers' interpretations exert a great deal of influence on their thinking, most of their ideas are formulated in the class room. But again, the class room should be a training ground for citizenship, not a final test.

There should be a period when these academic ideas have time to fall into their proper relation to actual conditions, a period of crystallization, of adjustment to reality as opposed to theory.

We all see big changes in our attitudes and our beliefs since we left high school. Some of them we recognize as juvenile. Leaving the protection of home and class room, we find ourselves reassessing, taking a new account.

. . . I'm sure that the people advocating the 18-year-old vote are guided largely by their conscience and their intentions are the very best.

But issues are easily confused when viewed in the light and the shadow of war, valor and death. It is therefore doubly important that the issues be lifted out, carefully scrutinized and evaluated on their own merits.



"Alas, Omar, it is a mirage, there is no water there"

by Nick

Kinlock Sweeps Tennis Crown In Women's Tourney Last Week

Intramural and intervarsity sport share the spotlight this week. The Women's Athletic association congratulated Connie Horeak, tennis manager, for her fine work in completing the intramural schedule for the first time in many years. There were a total of 29 entries and only four defaults.

Donna Kinlock emerged victorious in the singles division. She had teamed up with the other finalist, Barb Shortreed, to gain the doubles crown. The two, along with Ruth Eaves, travelled to Saskatoon last weekend to compete with the team from Saskatchewan for the intervarsity championship.

Also competing in Saskatoon were Rae Milligan, Jolly Smart, and Nora Olson, who comprised the intervarsity golf team.

Intramural volleyball starts on Tuesday. Joan Tracy, manager, has released the following schedule for this week.

Applications have been called for Panda and Cub Managers. Anyone interested can contact Jolly Smart, Room 20, Athabasca.

Intramural Volleyball Schedule
Tuesday, Oct. 20—Theta vs Ed 1, 4:45-5:15.

D. G. vs Ed 2, 4:45-5:15.
Pi Phi vs Phys. Ed., 5:15-5:45.
Pembina vs Tri Delt, 5:15-5:45.
Thursday, Oct 22—Ed 4 vs A and S, 4:45-5:15.
Ed 2 vs Nurses, 4:45-5:15.
Theta vs Ed 3, 5:15-5:45.
Ed 1 vs Phys. Ed., 5:15-5:45.

Plans Announced For Track Meet

The interfaculty track and field meet will be held on Saturday, beginning at 1:15 p.m. For further information and entry forms for the men's and women's events, students are requested to contact the sports representatives of their faculty.

Al Affleck of the physical education department will be in charge of all events of the meet.

Lawyer Lauds Law Profession

Discussing the relationship of the lawyer to his profession, to the Bench and to his fellow lawyers, L. Y. Cairns, prominent Edmonton lawyer, Friday addressed a meeting of the Law club.

About 75 law students attended the meeting in the mixed lounge of the Students Union building.

Mr. Cairns told the students to be mindful of the lawyer's position before the public and reminded them of the traditions of the legal profession. He called for greater respect for judges and a fostering of fellowship between lawyers.

Mr. Cairns was a lecturer at the University of Alberta for a number of years.

Faculty Night Held Thursday

An education student of last year, Dona Marie German, spoke at a student faculty night on Thursday, in the lounge of the Education building.

Other features of the program were a sing-song and a discussion following Miss German's talk.

These student-faculty nights provide a means for informal discussions between Education students and staff members of that faculty.

LOST DRESS CAUSES ALARM

BERKELEY, Calif., (ACP)—At the University of California, a student model left style show manager Kathy Crawford in a provocative dilemma.

After the show the models changed from their display clothes to their own apparel, leaving the display outfits behind. But when Miss Crawford cleaned up she found one extra skirt remaining.

"We'd like to find the girl before she gets too embarrassed," Miss Crawford told the Daily Californian.

FOUND—A blue and gold Sheaffer fountain pen in the Wauneita lounge. There are three initials on it. The owner may claim it at the student union office.

In The Spotlight by Miriam Zysblat

Recently returned to the U. of A. campus from an interesting mission to the United States is Dona Marie German, a third year education student. She was sent to the Teachers College of Connecticut on a teacher exchange sponsored by the Canadian-American Women's Committee and financed by the Board of Governors of the University of Alberta.

The Teachers College of Connecticut had an enrollment of 1,300 students, 50 percent whom commuted from a radius of fifty miles. Miss German said that this commuting curbed the students' ability to participate in extra-curricular activity. She found that the relationships between professor and students, and among the students themselves, were very close because of the comparatively small enrollment and small classes. The studies were not too difficult and much time was spent on club activities.

Only one girls' residence and no official men's residences existed on the campus. There were apartment

residences, however, provided for the married couples. The ratio of male to females on the campus was 7 to 10.

Dona Marie, while living in Connecticut, had opportunity to visit New York where she saw Cinerama, Radio City, Carnegie Mall, the Metropolitan, and the world's first atomic submarine. She also attended the UNESCO conference at Harvard university.

Dona terms her last year as the best in her life, and she hopes someday to return to New Britain, "the hardware capital of the world", to renew acquaintances. She enjoyed "the pretty country side, the mild winters, the maple sugar, and especially the apple cider."

She feels that too much Canadian talent is seeking material gain or prestige south of the border. When asked if she would like to live in Connecticut, she said she would prefer to remain in Canada and contribute to our growing young history and culture.



Dona Marie German